

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-57 are pending. Claims 37 and 51 are amended. Claims 6, 18-36, 39-50 and 52-58 are cancelled. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-5, 7-17, 37, 38 and 51 will be pending.

By Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, the Examiner has found claims 1-5, 7-17, 37, 38 and 51 allowable. Because allowed claim 37 is dependent from independent claim 35, Applicant has amended claim 37 to an independent form, incorporating the limitation of claim 35. Similarly, because allowed claim 51 is dependent from independent claim 49, Applicant has amended claim 51 to an independent form, incorporating the limitation of claim 49. No new matter is introduced by way of these amendments.


Moreover, without acquiescing in the rejection of claims 6, 18-36, 39-50 and 52-58, Applicant has cancelled these claims in order to expedite allowance of claims 1-5, 7-17, 37, 38 and 51. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the cancelled claims in one or more continuation applications.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-5, 7-17, 37, 38 and 51 are in condition for allowance.

A good faith effort has been made to place this application in condition for allowance. However, should any further issue require attention prior to allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (206) 622-4900 to resolve the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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